

**DECISION RECORD AND
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
FOR
MICHELE STEVENS**

I. Decision:

It is my decision to authorize a ten year renewable lease to Michelle Stevens for the continued use and occupancy of State selected public land at Petersville, Alaska in Section 21, T. 28 N., R. 8 W., S.M. I adopt the mitigation measures described in Environmental Assessment AK-040-04-EA-007, as special stipulations. The lease will also be subject to standard stipulations, and conditions set forth in the March 19, 2003, letter of 906(k) Concurrence from the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources. The site shall be used for private residential purposes only, with no commercial activities allowed.

II. Rationale for the Decision:

The lands described in the analysis are included in the Alaska Southcentral Planning Area Management Framework Plan (MFP), dated March 1980. Objective Number L-1 of the MFP states the BLM intends to "Satisfy state and local government needs as well as public and/or private demonstrated needs for land as they arise." The decision to allow the Proposed Action does not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation, and will allow for the continued existence of the buildings on the site.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI):

Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, I have determined that the impacts are not expected to be significant and an environmental impact statement is not required.

IV. ANILCA Section 810 Compliance:

The decision will not significantly restrict subsistence uses, decrease the abundance of subsistence resources, alter the distribution of subsistence resources, or limit subsistence user access from currently existing conditions. No further analysis is necessary at this time.

V. Adverse Energy Impact Compliance

This action has been analyzed as required by Washington Office Instruction Memorandum 2002-053 to determine if it will cause an adverse impact on energy development. The action will not have an adverse direct or indirect impact on energy development, production or distribution. The preparation of a Statement of Adverse Energy Impact is not required.

/s/ June A. Bailey
Anchorage Field Manager

02-02-04
Date

Attachments:

Environmental Assessment: AK-040-04-EA-007
March 19, 2003 DNR letter of 906(k) Concurrence
Map of lease location
Stipulations